



**GOUVERNEMENT**

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## LIST OF COMPELLING REASONS – UNITED KINGDOM

COVID-19

TRAVELLING TO THE UK	TRAVELLING FROM THE UK
French or foreign nationals returning to their countries of residence or origin ( <b>without any guarantee of returning to French territory, except for compelling reasons</b> ), as well as their partners (spouse, civil partners or cohabiters) and children.	French nationals as well as their partners (spouse, civil partners or cohabiters) and children.
<b>Death of a direct family member</b> (grandparents, parents, children and siblings)/ <b>visit to a person in critical condition</b> for direct family members (grandparents, parents, children and siblings). Evidence required: death certificate, medical certificate certifying the situation of the person in critical condition, proof of family membership.	<b>European Union nationals</b> or equivalents, as well as their partners (spouse, civil partners or cohabiters) and children, with their main residence in France or transiting through France to their main residence in a European Union country or equivalent country.
<b>Visitors travelling to France to exercise custodial rights recognized</b> by a court ruling. Evidence required: court ruling and proof of place of residence.	<b>Nationals of a third country with a valid European or French residence permit or long-stay visa</b> with their main residence in France or transiting through France to their main residence in a European Union country or equivalent country.
<b>Persons summoned by a judicial or administrative authority.</b> Evidence required: summons.	<b>British nationals and family members</b> enjoying the provisions of the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community. <b>British civil servants</b> in the course of their duties, persons working for the border police, and customs officers. <b>Staff of the Channel Tunnel</b> (including for tasks linked to operation, maintenance and security) or cross-Channel facilities.
<b>Persons for whom it is legally or economically impossible to remain in the territory</b> where they are located or who are subject to an expulsion measure. Evidence required: expiring residence permit, proof of severance, etc.	<b>Nationals of third countries with a long-stay visa</b> issued on the grounds of family reunification or family reunification of refugees, beneficiaries of subsidiary protection and stateless persons.
<b>Participants in a university exchange programme.</b> Evidence required: certificate of enrolment issued by the establishment.	<b>Foreign healthcare professionals or researchers</b> helping to fight COVID-19, as well as their partners (spouses, civil partners, or cohabiters, subject to evidence of cohabitation) and children.
Persons travelling on grounds of <b>critical medical emergencies</b> (patient and an accompanying person, if necessary). Evidence required: medical certificate, proof of scheduled hospitalization, etc.	<b>Foreign healthcare professionals or researchers</b> recruited as trainees.
<b>Missions necessary for the pursuit of an economic activity requiring presence on site (which cannot be postponed).</b> Document required: proof from employer.	<b>Nationals of third countries holding a “Talent Passport” long-stay visa</b> , as well as their partners (spouses, civil partners, or cohabiters, subject to evidence of cohabitation) and children.
<b>Health professionals and researchers</b> helping to fight COVID-19 or taking part in cooperation activities of major interest in terms of health. Evidence required: professional ID.	<b>Students enrolled in French as a foreign language (FLE) courses</b> prior to enrolment in higher education, or accepted in orals for entrance exams in French higher education institutions or enrolled for the academic year 2021-2022; researchers or teaching staff (including language assistants) moving to France at the invitation of a research centre for research activities absolutely requiring their physical presence, as well as their partners (spouses, civil partners, or cohabiters, subject to evidence of cohabitation) and children.
<b>Persons on occasional assignments linked to the exercise of public sector activities</b> (including diplomatic missions and assignments essential to the implementation of operational contracts of the armed forces or military corps) that cannot be postponed. British civil servants carrying out their duties, persons working for the border police, and customs officers. Channel Tunnel staff (including those involved with tasks linked to operation, maintenance and security) or cross-Channel facilities. Evidence required: professional ID, travel order.	<b>Missions necessary for the pursuit of an economic activity requiring presence on site (which cannot be postponed).</b> Document required: proof from employer.
<b>Persons working in the land, sea and air transport sectors and transport service providers</b> , including drivers of any vehicle for transport of goods to be used in the French territory and those which are only in transit, or such persons travelling as passengers to reach their departure base or for the purpose of training.	<b>Persons working in the land, sea and air transport sectors</b> and transport service providers, including drivers of any vehicle for transport of goods to be used in the French territory and those which are only in transit, or such persons travelling as passengers to reach their departure base or for the purpose of training.

<p><b>High-level professional sportspeople to take part in events approved by the Ministry of Sport.</b> Evidence required: professional ID, certificate issued by event organizer in liaison with the Ministry of Sport.</p>	<p><b>Foreign nationals</b> serving in a diplomatic or consular mission or in an international organization headquartered or having an office in France, and their partners and children.</p>
	<p><b>Persons transiting</b> for less than 24 hours in an international zone.</p>